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Pine Bluff Chemical Activity

Lieutenant Colonel Nathaniel W. Farmer

Pine Bluff Chemical Activity Commander

Lt. Col. Nathaniel W. Farmer, a native of Kentucky, was commissioned as a second lieutenant in the United States Army Chemical Corps upon graduation from Western Kentucky University (WKU). He holds a Bachelors of Science in secondary education from WKU and a Master of Science Administration in Human Resource Management from Central Michigan University. He is a Distinguished Military Graduate from WKU Army Reserve Officer's Training Corps (ROTC).

Farmer has served in all levels of command from platoon leader to battalion commander. He also has served at all levels of staff from battalion to Army level. Most of his significant assignments were in Light Infantry and Special Forces Units. From 1990 to 1993, he was assigned to 4th Bn 87th Infantry, 25th ID as the Battalion Chemical Officer and two tours with Special Forces; from 1994 to 1996 with 7th Special Forces Group (A) as the Chemical Detachment Commander; 2001 to 2003 with 5th Special Forces Group (A) as the Group Chemical Officer. He has also served as an aide de camp and an executive officer for general officers.

He has deployed to both Operation Enduring Freedom (OEF) and Operation Iraqi Freedom (OIF) with the 5th Special Forces Group (A). He deployed as part of the Joint Special Operations Task Force-North (JSOTF-N) which led the OEF campaign in Afghanistan and later as part of the Joint Special Operations Task Force-West (JOSTF-W) which led the OIF campaign in western Iraq. Before taking the position of Pine Bluff Chemical Activity Commander, Farmer's previous assignment



was Battalion Commander of the U.S. Army Reserve Officer Training Corps at the Georgia Institute of Technology. He has received a Bronze Star Medal (BSM), Meritorious Service Medal (MSM) (six awards), Army Commendation Medal (ARCOM) (three awards), Joint Accommodation Medal, Army Achievement Medal (five awards), Army Reserve Achievement Medal, Joint Meritorious Unit Award, Army Superior Unit Award, National Defense Service Medal, Overseas Service Ribbon, Global War on Terrorism-Service Medal, and the Global War on Terrorism-Expeditionary Medal.

His military education includes Command and General Staff College, CAS3, Jump Master School, Airborne School, Air Assault School, Technical Escort School, Army Force Management School, Nuclear/Chemical Target Analysis School, Chemical Officer Advance Course, and the Chemical Officer Basic Course.



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